04/30/12 Macallen Dam Removal Feasibility Committee

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- Sequential review by the committee members of the revised RFP. This procedure was decided so that a single working version of the RFP could be evaluated. Previously, the document was concurrently reviewed by the committee members, which resulted in several versions needing to be incorporated into a single working document.
- Review the comments and edits by the committee members
- Request any final comments from NHDES and NOAA
- Incorporate NHDES and NOAA comments into the RFP
- Provide the RFP for public comments.
- Hold a public meeting to receive public comments three weeks after providing the RFP to the public.
- Incorporate public comments into the RFP.
- Publish the RFP.

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